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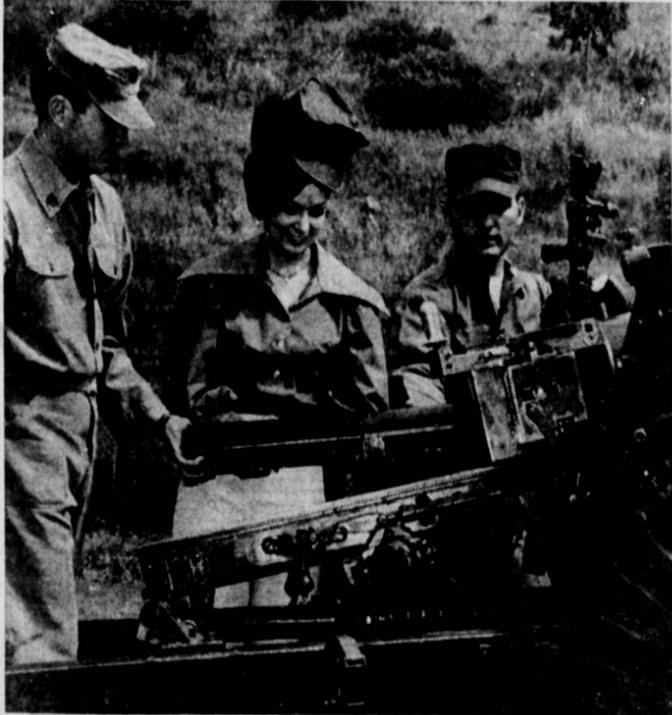
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LOAD FOR FIRING . . . Torrance Princess Etta Cumiford gets a lesson in loading a 105-mm howitzer from Staff Sgt. Ed Carter (left) of Gardena and Sgt. Wayne Cusick of Burbank during a visit to the 1st Battalion, 14 Marines. Miss Cumiford toured the Chavez Ravine Training Center to inspect the howitzers and other field equipment which the Marine reservists will show in the 10th annual Armed Forces Day Parade here Saturday, May 17.

Marine Unit Ready For More Trophies

The streets of Torrance will shake a little Saturday, May 17, but not because California may slide into the sea.

The shake will be caused by 18 105-mm howitzers which will be towed through town the nation's largest civic sponsored salute to its armed forces.

The salute, the 10th consecutive to be staged here, will last for two days — Friday and Saturday, May 16 and 17.

The display of rather awesome firepower will come from the 1st Battalion, 14th Marines, 4th Marine Division — headquartered at the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center in Chavez Ravine and at a second training center in Pico-Rivera.

Grand marshal for the parade and chief reviewing officer will be General of the Army Omar N. Bradley. The general, last of the nation's living five-star military leaders is known as the "soldier's soldier."

The 1st Battalion marines have proved to be sure winners in military parade and exhibit competition here. Last year, before some 140,000 spectators, this crack outfit won trophies for Best Reserve Forces Unit Entry and Outstanding Entry-Open Class Motorized Units. In 1967, they rated these same honors plus Best Exhibit Area Entry and Best Combat Exhibit.

THE BATTALION is commanded by Lt. Col. Carlton Bingham and includes 600 men. The unit trains one week-end each month and is scheduled for a two-week assignment at Twenty-Nine Palms this summer. Other training sites include Camp Pendleton and Ft. Sill, Okla.

Close competition among reservists in the parade is anticipated from the 3rd ANGLICO of Air-Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, based at the Marine Corps Reserve Training Cen-

ter, Long Beach, (Terminal Island). The 3rd ANGLICO will march 190 combat-ready troops.

Other competition among the military reservists in the parade's Division III comes from Organized Reserve Training Unit Port Security, San Pedro, USCG; the 148th Mobile Communications Squad California Air-National Guard; Military Training Division 11-17, USNR, from Santa Monica; Military Training Division 11-8, USNR, and Surface Division 11-08 (L), USNR, from Los Angeles; and the 6218th Reception Station, USAR.

STILL MORE marines will (See MARINES, Page A-2)

Winners Picked In Science Fair

Twenty-one budding scientists walked off with medals, ribbons and cash awards at the Torrance Unified School District's fourth annual high school science fair last week.

Top individual honors were awarded to Robert Laidlaw of South High School for the best biological exhibit and to Roy Ball of South High School for the best physical exhibit.

First-place group entries were submitted by Danny Kobayashi and Raymond Lem of North High School in the biological division and Bruce Brown and Mike Fraser of West High School in the physical division.

AWARDS for outstanding research briefs went to Robert Church of North High School in the biological category and to Stan Schiff of South High School in the physical category.

Runners-up were: Kim Wellstead, Torrance High School, biological individual; John Everett, Greg Long, and Michael Stull, West High School, biological group; Jim Coloni, West High School, physical individual; and Wayne Blackburn and Mike Morris of West High School, physical group.

Placing third were: David Garbell of West High School, biological individual; Pete Dragginton and Randy Coffman of North High School, biological group; Robert Burnett of North High School, physical individual; and Gary Fox and Valente Alegria of West High School, physical group.

CONTRIBUTING \$100 in prize money were the Downtown Torrance Rotary Club and Del Amo Rotary Club. (See WINNERS, Page A-2)



PROMOTING THE ARTS . . . Making last minute plans for the annual May Festival of the Arts are banquet committee members (from left) Mrs. Anton L. Mero, social chairman; Mrs. Daisy Geery Jack; Mrs. Arthur W. Lavender, publicity chairman; and Mrs. John A. Shidler, who will preside at the punchbowl. The festival will open Saturday with an invitational reception and banquet at Joslyn Center. Sponsoring the festival is the South Bay Civic Symphony, with the aid of the Torrance Recreation Department. Banquet committee chairman is Mrs. Alex Ray. (Press-Herald Photo)

City Councilmen Agree To Review Nollac Case

Harvey Worker Beaten

Violence erupted Monday night at Harvey Aluminum Co. when striking workers allegedly attacked non-strikers outside the plant at 19200 S. Western Ave. One employee was badly beaten in an incident which occurred about 5 p.m., and a striker was later booked for battery in another incident which took place about 11:15 p.m.

In the earlier scuffle, employe John Waswill, 48, of Torrance reportedly was attacked by six men in the Harvey parking lot. Waswill told police one of the men struck him several times with a rock, knocking him down. The group then jumped on him, breaking his glasses and cutting his face.

Waswill drove himself to a Torrance hospital for medical treatment. He suffered contusions about his head and required stitches to close a cut over his eye.

IN THE later incident, Michael Ash, 28, of 4523 W. 149th St., Lawndale, was booked for battery after he allegedly hit employe Mark Carter of Manhattan Beach, according to Harbor Division police. Carter received minor injuries. Los Angeles police at the scene said the disturbances followed a union meeting at which no agreement was reached in the strike against Harvey Aluminum. Some of those who attended the meeting apparently decided to go to the plant and try to persuade workers to join in the strike, police said. Some of those responsible for the disturbances had been drinking, police reported.

The strike against Harvey has been in progress since Jan. 19.



SUPPLIER OF YEAR . . . The Ordnance Division of the Hi-Shear Corp. of Torrance has been selected as the "Supplier of the Year" by the Martin Marietta Corp.'s Denver Division. Accepting the award here is George Wing (center), president of Hi-Shear. The presentation was made by N. M. Graham (second from left), director of material for Martin Marietta's Denver Division. Three astronauts assigned to the Air Force Manned Orbiting Laboratory Project were on hand for the ceremonies. They were (from left) Maj. Gordon Fullerton of Manhattan Beach, Col. Bob Herres of Palos Verdes, and Maj. Jim Taylor of Los Alamitos. Hi-Shear supplies explosively actuated separation nuts on the Titan III — the standard space launch vehicle used by the nation. The Titan III is built by Martin Marietta's Denver Division.

At Joslyn Center

Festival of Arts Set For Saturday Opening

The May Festival of the Arts will officially open Saturday with a reception and banquet beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Joslyn Center. The annual

event is sponsored by the South Bay Civic Symphony, with the assistance of the Recreation Department of the City of Torrance.

The May Festival is held each year to present a showcase for the achievements of local artists. Featured will be music, graphic arts, drama, choreography, and poetry.

The fine arts exhibit will be unveiled the night of the banquet. Erika Muhl will speak at the reception, introducing the display.

Events following the banquet include a Youth Concert on May 3 and a Grand Concert May 15.

Honored guest at the banquet will be composer Dr. William

Grant Still, whose composition "Old California" provided the theme for this year's festival. Dr. Still will conduct the work at the Grand Concert.

Admission to the banquet is by invitation only. Those interested in symphony who have not received invitations may contact the South Bay Civic Symphony. Donations are \$2.50.

Youngsters Work To Aid Teacher

Children at Lincoln Elementary School are doing their part to raise funds for Miss Sandy Van Steenburgen, a third grade teacher who is convalescing following the removal of both kidneys.

One pupil, Stephen Sunshine, organized several other youngsters to stage a fund-raising campaign and the group has already raised \$24. Some of the girls are making and selling cookies for the cause. One store has agreed to let them sell their treats in front of the establishment. Goal is a \$100 contribution.

Ever since the youngsters found out their teacher was ill, they have showered her with cards, letters, and remembrances.

One 9-year-old wrote the following poem about Miss Van Steenburgen: "My third grade teacher taught me

May 22 Hearing Slated

Torrance councilmen last night agreed to review the dismissal of City Engineer Walter M. Nollac and set May 22 for announcing a decision on the case.

The action came after Nollac personally appeared before the council and asked for the review.

The city aide, suspended from his \$25,000 a year post last December, was dismissed from the job last week after the city's Civil Service Commission found him guilty of inefficiency and failure to perform his duties in 3 of 17 counts against him.

THE COMMISSION recommended dismissal and City Manager Edward J. Ferraro, who filed the 17-count document against Nollac, immediately dismissed the engineer.

In his presentation last night, Nollac emphasized that the 37 points in the charges against him are "technical in nature." He also noted that he was not found guilty of misconduct or incompetency by the Civil Service Commission.

Nollac also told councilmen that the city charter which governs his conduct in office "has some obvious ambiguities and conflicting passages" which he feels the city council should resolve.

HE ALSO said a review of his case was necessary to preserve both the civil service system and employe morale in the city.

Councilmen will review the testimony given during the weeks of hearings before the Civil Service Commission to make their decision. No new testimony will be accepted, it was indicated.

Councilmen will be con- (See NOLLAC, Page A-2)

Special Session Planned

A special meeting of the Torrance Board of Education will be held Monday to hear a report on the 7th and 8th grade departmental program.

A committee of teachers and administrators, headed by Dr. Lloyd Jones, has been studying the departmentalized structure for two years. An interim report was made a year ago.

Dr. Jones is an assistant superintendent of schools in charge of elementary education.

To love one another,
To be friends with those who have no friends,
To be kind to those who are alone,
To be friends with all,
To love all,
And to keep this love in my heart."

In addition to the children's efforts, a group of parents, known as "Friends of Sandy," is sponsoring a benefit show to help defray her mounting medical expenses. The show will be staged at Torrance High School May 16 at 8 p.m.

Many local performers have volunteered to appear in the show, according to Mrs. Paul Williams, general chairman. Tickets are \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for children.

Youngsters may stage a backyard play to raise additional funds for Miss Van Steenburgen.